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**AMENDMENT AND**  
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

In response to a non-final Office Action dated June 6, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Additionally, applicants enclose a **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)** and have authorized the required payment for a one-month extension. No additional fees are required for a net addition of claims. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a), and any fee required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2074.

Claim amendments begin on page 2. Remarks begin on page 4.

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